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Marr:	ABT 1791	Place:	
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Bur.:		Place:	
Father:		Mother:	
Other Wives:			
Wife: Mary "Molly" (CHOCTAW INDIAN)			
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	Died: 24 AUG 1846	Place:	Fort Towson, Indian Territory
3.	Name: Emily NAIL	Spouse: Allen YATES	
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	Marr: 16 JUL 1816	Place:	
	Died: 2 AUG 1865	Place:	prob Choctaw Co., AL
4.	Name: Daniel W. NAIL	Spouse:	
M	Born: ABT 1800	Place:	Choctaw Nation, (now Miss)
	Chr.:	Place:	
	Marr:	Place:	
	Died:	Place:	
5.	Name: Mary NAIL	Spouse: Jeremiah FOLSOM	
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	Died:	Place:	
6.	Name: Jerry NAIL	Spouse: Paya	
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7.	Name: Lovisa NAIL	Spouse: Israel FOLSOM Reverend	
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8.	Name: Alzira NAIL	Spouse: Jacob FOLSOM	
F	Born: ABT 1811/1812	Place:	Choctaw Nation, (now Miss)
	Chr.:	Place:	
	Marr: ABT 1830	Place:	
	Died:	Place:	
9.	Name: Robert W. NAIL	Spouse: Margaret CAMPBELL	
M	Born: ABT 1812/1813	Place:	Choctaw Nation, (now Miss)
	Chr.:	Place:	
	Marr: ABT 1840	Place:	Choctaw Nation, Ind Terr
	Died: 11 DEC 1885	Place:	Blue Co, Choctaw Nation, Ind Terr
10.	Name: John Morris NAIL	Spouse: Ehawa tonah	
M	Born: 15 MAR 1816	Place:	Choctaw Nation, (now Miss)
	Chr.:	Place:	
	Marr:	Place:	
	Died: 24 JAN 1872	Place:	Neil's Prairie, Choctaw Nation, Ind Terr
11.	Name: Joseph NAIL	Spouse:	
M	Born: ABT 1818	Place:	Choctaw Nation, (now Miss)
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Wife: Mary "Molly"		Year of Birth: 1772
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F	Born:	Place: Choctaw Nation, (now Miss)
	Chr.:	Place:
	Marr:	Place:
	Died:	Place:
13.	Name: Unknown NAIL	Spouse:
	Born: SEENOTES	Place:
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Henry Nail

Year of birth established in Winston Deville, "Fort St. Stephens in 1797," Deep South Quarterly, 5 (Feb 1968); 159-60.

Approximate year of marriage based on date of birth of eldest known child; see Elizabeth Knowles Folsom, Genealogy of the Folsom Family 1638-1938. Volume II (Rutland, Vermont: Tuttle Publishing Co., 1938), 818. See also, Oklahoma Historical Society, Archives and Manuscripts Division, transcribed copy of records from the Toole Family Bible on file at the NSDAR Library, Washington, D. C., submitted with Mary Elizabeth Toole Fields' DAR application. The bible bears a publishing date of 1828. Unfortunately, most of the other proofs submitted with this application are questionable and do not seem to pertain to this Nail family. However, the authenticity of the bible records has been established.

Info re death from National Archives and Records Administration, Washington, D.C., Natural Resources Branch, Civil Archives Division, Reserve File No. A-481, file of Molly Nail contains letter dated 20 Feb 1832 stating she is a widow.

Molly Nail

Referred to as the woman of the Haiyupatukla Clan [Oklahoma Historical Society, Archives and Manuscript Division, Lee Harkins Collection, Letter dated 6 Dec 1936 at Clarita, Okla. from William M. Dunn to Mr. Lee F. Harkins. William Marshall Dunn, son of William Marshall and Salina (Yates) Dunn, was born 2 Sep 1862 in Choctaw County, Ala. He was educated in Pushmataha, Choctaw County, Ala, and the schools of Meridian, Mississippi and Atoka, Indian Territory.]

Year of birth established in Deville, "Fort St. Stephens in 1797".

Approximate time of death, see Reserve File No. A-481, file of Molly Nail contains letter dated 2 July 1841 from John M. Nail (heir of Molly Nail) inquiring about Molly's reserve.

Children of this Couple

In an 1822 interview appearing in the Missionary Herald 19 (1823), 8-11, Henry Nail stated he had 13 children, 12 now living. At this time, all are presumed to be Molly's. Eight of the children are listed as Molly's heirs in an 1841 deed to Peter Pitchlynn, (i.e., Joel Nail, Lovisa N. Folsom, Mary N. Folsom, Alzira N. Folsom, Robert W. Nail, John M. Nail, Joseph Nail and Lucina N. Folsom). Additionally, Emily (Nail) Yates is identified as a daughter of Henry and Mary Nail in the Toole Family Bible. Also entered in the bible is the date of death for Rhoda (Nail) Folsom recorded by "her Brother—Jno M. Nail". Circumstantial evidence indicates the probable identity of two other children, i.e., Daniel W. Nail, who wrote and witnessed Molly's letter of 25 July 1832 to Lewis Cass, and Jerry Nail who is listed on the 1832 emigration and muster rolls, and on an 1855 Choctaw Payment Roll living in close proximity to Robert W. Nail and Jeremiah and Mary (Nail) Folsom.

1. **Rhoda Nail**, born 16 April 1792 probably in the Old Choctaw Nation; died 15-16 November 1839, Choctaw Nation, Indian Territory. She married **David Folsom**, son of Nathaniel Folsom and one of his Choctaw Indian wives. [Folsom Genealogy, Toole Family Bible Records, 1832 Emigration Rolls.]
2. **Joel Henry Nail**, born 10 December 1794, probably in the Old Choctaw Nation, died 24 August 1846 at his residence near Fort Towson, Choctaw Nation, Indian Territory. He married 23 May 1816 in Clarke County, Mississippi Territory, **Lucinda/Lucina Smith**. [Tombstone inscription, Doaksville Cemetery, near the town of Fort Towson, Choctaw Co., Okla. War of 1812 pension application; 1832 Emigration Rolls; 1841 deed to Peter Pitchlynn; Lucina on 1855 payroll]
3. **Emily Nail**, born 11 December 1798, probably in the Old Choctaw Nation, died 2 August 1865, probably Choctaw County, Alabama. On 16 July 1816, she married **Allen Yates**, son of John and Catharine () Yates. [Toole Family Bible Records; Emily's 1861 letter to her brother, Robert W. Nail.]

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4. **Daniel W. Nail**, born c1796-1800; Served as interpreter to party of Choctaws, who with a party of Chickasaws, explored the land west of the Mississippi in 1828; wrote and witnessed Molly's letter of 1832 to Indian Office; credited with building the first bridge across the Noxubee River in 1832. [Foreman, *Indians and Pioneers*, Reserve File No. A-481, file of Molly Nail; year of birth is speculation, but it is assumed he was one of the older children since he does not appear on Choctaw Academy lists.] (Speculation: Could Daniel W. Nail be the Wilson Nail on early undated rolls or did he stay in Mississippi, perhaps dying between 1832 and early 1840s. Was he married to a "Tennessee" who later married a Jones and removed to IT in 1847? Could Daniel be the father of Benjamin, Greenwood L. and Marceline Nail?)
5. **Mary Nail**, born about 1805-06 probably in the Old Choctaw Nation. She married **Jeremiah Folsom**, about 1821. [Folsom Genealogy; 1832 Emigration Rolls; 1841 deed to Peter Pitchlynn; 1855 Pay Roll.]
6. **Jerry Nail**, born about 1806-07 probably in the Old Choctaw Nation, married (1) **Paya** (____); married (2) - - - - . [1832 Emigration Rolls; 1855 Pay Roll.]
7. **Lovisa Nail**, born 28 February 1807 probably in the Old Choctaw Nation; died 11 July 1876/78 near Caddo in the Choctaw Nation, Indian Territory; buried Boggy Depot Cemetery, Atoka County, Oklahoma; married Reverend **Israel Folsom**, son of Nathaniel Folsom and one of his Choctaw Indian wives, on 11 April 1824. [Folsom Genealogy; 1832 Emigration Rolls; 1841 deed to Peter Pitchlynn; 1855 Payroll; Tombstone Inscription.]
8. **Alzira Nail**, born about 1811/12 probably in the Old Choctaw Nation. She married **Jacob Folsom** about 1830. [Folsom Genealogy; 1832 Emigration Rolls; 1841 deed to Peter Pitchlynn; only Jacob found on 1855 Pay Roll]
9. **Robert W. Nail**, born about 1812/13 probably in the Old Choctaw Nation; died 11 December 1885 Blue County, Choctaw Nation, Indian Territory; married (1) **Margaret Campbell**, daughter of James and Delilah (Folsom) Campbell; married (2) Louise (Folsom) Cochnauer (var. Cochnour), daughter of Samuel and Anna (Holmes) Folsom. Louise, was the widow of (1) John Impson and (2) Edward Cochnour. [Folsom Genealogy; Edward J. Nail, 1939 WPA Interview; Records of the Choctaw Academy; 1832 Emigration Rolls; 1841 deed to Peter Pitchlynn; 1855 Payroll; 1860 Warriors' Roll; Family letters.]
10. **John Morris Nail**, born 15 March 1816 probably in the Old Choctaw Nation, died 24 January 1872, on Nail's Prairie (present-day LeFlore County, Oklahoma); probably married Ehawa tonah (Indian name), perhaps others. [Toole Family Bible Records; 1841 deed to Peter Pitchlynn; Report of his murder in *Arkansas Gazette* and Smedley's WPA Interview; Records of the Choctaw Academy; his 1842 letter to Robert W. Nail; his letters to Indian Office; his work with Peter Perkins Pitchlynn described in W. David Baird's book on Pitchlynn; other misc. Choctaw records.]
11. **Joseph Nail**, born about 1818 probably in the Old Choctaw Nation. May have been teacher at on of the missionary schools in 1836. [Records of the Choctaw Academy. 1841 deed to Peter Pitchlynn.]
12. **Lucina "Sina" Nail**, born when? probably in the Old Choctaw Nation, married **Daniel Folsom**, son of Jerry Folsom. [Folsom Genealogy; 1841 deed to Peter Pitchlynn; in 1855 is she living separate from Daniel or is this right Lucina? Children in Daniel's household in 1855 correspond with Folsom Genealogy.]
13. Deceased Child

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Father: Henry NAIL		Mother: Mary "Molly"	
Other Wives:			
Wife: Lucinda "Sina" SMITH (WHITE)			
Born:		Place:	
Chr.:		Place:	
Died:	AFT 12 SEP 1859	Place:	
Bur.:		Place:	
Father:		Mother:	
Other Husbands:			
Sex	Children	List each child (living or dead) in order of birth	
M/F			
1.	Name: Adam NAIL	Spouse:	
M	Born: ABT 1818	Place:	
	Chr.:	Place:	
	Marr:	Place:	
	Died:	Place:	
2.	Name: Edwin or Edward NAIL	Spouse:	
M	Born:	Place:	
	Chr.:	Place:	
	Marr:	Place:	
	Died:	Place:	
3.	Name: Harriet Newell NAIL	Spouse: ?John Harpole CARR	
F	Born:	Place:	
	Chr.:	Place:	
	Marr: ABT 1836	Place:	
	Died: ABT 1874	Place:	
4.	Name: Deltiah NAIL	Spouse:	
F	Born:	Place:	
	Chr.:	Place:	
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	Died:	Place:	
5.	Name: Jonathan H. NAIL	Spouse: Catherine PERRY	
M	Born: 2 MAR 1825	Place:	Choctaw Nation, (now Miss)
	Chr.:	Place:	
	Marr: BEF 1 FEB 1850	Place:	Choctaw Nation, Ind Terr
	Died: 9 MAY 1867	Place:	Blue Co, Choctaw Nation, Ind Terr
6.	Name: Selina NAIL	Spouse:	
F	Born:	Place:	
	Chr.:	Place:	
	Marr:	Place:	
	Died:	Place:	
7.	Name: Catherine NAIL	Spouse: Joseph Daniel HARRIS	
F	Born: 1829	Place:	
	Chr.:	Place:	
	Marr: BEF 1850	Place:	
	Died: 1855	Place:	
8.	Name: Isabelle NAIL	Spouse: David J. ?HARKINS	
F	Born: ABT 1835	Place:	
	Chr.:	Place:	
	Marr:	Place:	
	Died:	Place:	
9.	Name: Melvina NAIL	Spouse: Henry Clay ?HARKINS	
F	Born: ABT 1837	Place:	
	Chr.:	Place:	
	Marr:	Place:	
	Died:	Place:	
10.	Name: Emma NAIL	Spouse: Calvin COLBERT	
F	Born: ABT 1840	Place:	
	Chr.:	Place:	
	Marr:	Place:	
	Died: 1884	Place:	Carriage Point, Blue Co, Choctaw Nation, Ind
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She was still living when she filed for bounty land. [See above]

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1. **Adam Nail** is listed as a student of the Choctaw Academy in Scott County, Kentucky; he was also a member of the medical department at the school; was a Captain of the First Regiment of Choctaw and Chickasaw Mounted Rifles, Company A, enlisting at Perryville, IT on 8 July 1861; he was forty-four years of age on a company roll dated 31 Aug 1861. [*The Chronicles of Oklahoma* 6 (1928), 9 (1931), 10 (1932); "History of the Service and List of Individuals of the Five Civilized Tribes in the Confederate Army," manuscript compiled by Grant Foreman, Oklahoma Historical Society, Okla City, Okla.]
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	Died:	Place:	
9.	Name: Robert W. NAIL	Spouse: Margaret CAMPBELL	
M	Born: ABT 1812/1813	Place:	Choctaw Nation, (now Miss)
	Chr.:	Place:	
	Marr: ABT 1840	Place:	Choctaw Nation, Ind Terr
	Died: 11 DEC 1885	Place:	Blue Co, Choctaw Nation, Ind Terr
10.	Name: John Morris NAIL	Spouse: Ehawa tonah	
M	Born: 15 MAR 1816	Place:	Choctaw Nation, (now Miss)
	Chr.:	Place:	
	Marr:	Place:	
	Died: 24 JAN 1872	Place:	Nail's Prairie, Choctaw Nation, Ind Terr
11.	Name: Joseph NAIL	Spouse:	
M	Born: ABT 1818	Place:	Choctaw Nation, (now Miss)
	Chr.:	Place:	
	Marr:	Place:	
	Died:	Place:	

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Husband: Henry NAIL		Year of Birth: 1762
Wife: Mary "Molly"		Year of Birth: 1772
Sex	Children (continued)	
12.	Name: Lucina "Sina" NAIL	Spouse: Daniel FOLSOM
F	Born:	Place: Choctaw Nation, (now Miss)
	Chr.:	Place:
	Marr:	Place:
	Died:	Place:
13.	Name: Unknown NAIL	Spouse:
	Born: SEENOTES	Place:
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	Died:	Place:

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Henry Nail

Year of birth established in Winston Deville, "Fort St. Stephens in 1797," Deep South Quarterly. 5 (Feb 1968); 159-60.

Approximate year of marriage based on date of birth of eldest known child; see Elizabeth Knowles Folsom, Genealogy of the Folsom Family 1638-1938. Volume II (Rutland, Vermont: Tuttle Publishing Co., 1938), 818. See also, Oklahoma Historical Society, Archives and Manuscripts Division, transcribed copy of records from the Toole Family Bible on file at the NSDAR Library, Washington, D. C., submitted with Mary Elizabeth Toole Fields' DAR application. The bible bears a publishing date of 1828. Unfortunately, most of the other proofs submitted with this application are questionable and do not seem to pertain to this Nail family. However, the authenticity of the bible records has been established.

Info re death from National Archives and Records Administration, Washington, D.C., Natural Resources Branch, Civil Archives Division, Reserve File No. A-481, file of Molly Nail contains letter dated 20 Feb 1832 stating she is a widow.

Molly Nail

Referred to as the woman of the Haiyupatukla Clan [Oklahoma Historical Society, Archives and Manuscript Division, Lee Harkins Collection, Letter dated 6 Dec 1936 at Clarita, Okla. from William M. Dunn to Mr. Lee F. Harkins. William Marshall Dunn, son of William Marshall and Salina (Yates) Dunn, was born 2 Sep 1862 in Choctaw County, Ala. He was educated in Pushmataha, Choctaw County, Ala, and the schools of Meridian, Mississippi and Atoka, Indian Territory.]

Year of birth established in Deville, "Fort St. Stephens in 1797".

Approximate time of death, see Reserve File No. A-481, file of Molly Nail contains letter dated 2 July 1841 from John M. Nail (heir of Molly Nail) inquiring about Molly's reserve.

Children of this Couple

In an 1822 interview appearing in the Missionary Herald 19 (1823), 8-11, Henry Nail stated he had 13 children, 12 now living. At this time, all are presumed to be Molly's. Eight of the children are listed as Molly's heirs in an 1841 deed to Peter Pitchlynn, (i.e., Joel Nail, Lovisa N. Folsom, Mary N. Folsom, Alzira N. Folsom, Robert W. Nail, John M. Nail, Joseph Nail and Lucina N. Folsom). Additionally, Emily (Nail) Yates is identified as a daughter of Henry and Mary Nail in the Toole Family Bible. Also entered in the bible is the date of death for Rhoda (Nail) Folsom recorded by "her Brother—Jno M. Nail". Circumstantial evidence indicates the probable identity of two other children, i.e., Daniel W. Nail, who wrote and witnessed Molly's letter of 25 July 1832 to Lewis Cass, and Jerry Nail who is listed on the 1832 emigration and muster rolls, and on an 1855 Choctaw Payment Roll living in close proximity to Robert W. Nail and Jeremiah and Mary (Nail) Folsom.

1. **Rhoda Nail**, born 16 April 1792 probably in the Old Choctaw Nation; died 15-16 November 1839, Choctaw Nation, Indian Territory. She married **David Folsom**, son of Nathaniel Folsom and one of his Choctaw Indian wives. [Folsom Genealogy, Toole Family Bible Records, 1832 Emigration Rolls.]
2. **Joel Henry Nail**, born 10 December 1794, probably in the Old Choctaw Nation, died 24 August 1846 at his residence near Fort Towson, Choctaw Nation, Indian Territory. He married 23 May 1816 in Clarke County, Mississippi Territory, **Lucinda/Lucina Smith**. [Tombstone inscription, Doaksville Cemetery, near the town of Fort Towson, Choctaw Co., Okla. War of 1812 pension application; 1832 Emigration Rolls; 1841 deed to Peter Pitchlynn; Lucina on 1855 payroll]
3. **Emily Nail**, born 11 December 1798, probably in the Old Choctaw Nation, died 2 August 1865, probably Choctaw County, Alabama. On 16 July 1816, she married **Allen Yates**, son of John and Catharine () Yates. [Toole Family Bible Records; Emily's 1861 letter to her brother, Robert W. Nail.]

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4. **Daniel W. Nail**, born c1796-1800; Served as interpreter to party of Choctaws, who with a party of Chickasaws, explored the land west of the Mississippi in 1828; wrote and witnessed Molly's letter of 1832 to Indian Office; credited with building the first bridge across the Noxubee River in 1832. [Foreman, *Indians and Pioneers*; Reserve File No. A-481, file of Molly Nail; year of birth is speculation, but it is assumed he was one of the older children since he does not appear on Choctaw Academy lists.] (Speculation: Could Daniel W. Nail be the Wilson Nail on early undated rolls or did he stay in Mississippi, perhaps dying between 1832 and early 1840s. Was he married to a "Tennessee" who later married a Jones and removed to IT in 1847? Could Daniel be the father of Benjamin, Greenwood L. and Marceline Nail?)
5. **Mary Nail**, born about 1805-06 probably in the Old Choctaw Nation. She married **Jeremiah Folsom**, about 1821. [Folsom Genealogy; 1832 Emigration Rolls; 1841 deed to Peter Pitchlynn; 1855 Pay Roll.]
6. **Jerry Nail**, born about 1806-07 probably in the Old Choctaw Nation, married (1) **Paya** (____); married (2) - - - - . [1832 Emigration Rolls; 1855 Pay Roll.]
7. **Lovisa Nail**, born 28 February 1807 probably in the Old Choctaw Nation; died 11 July 1876/78 near Caddo in the Choctaw Nation, Indian Territory; buried Boggy Depot Cemetery, Atoka County, Oklahoma; married Reverend **Israel Folsom**, son of Nathaniel Folsom and one of his Choctaw Indian wives, on 11 April 1824. [Folsom Genealogy; 1832 Emigration Rolls; 1841 deed to Peter Pitchlynn; 1855 Payroll; Tombstone Inscription.]
8. **Alzira Nail**, born about 1811/12 probably in the Old Choctaw Nation. She married **Jacob Folsom** about 1830. [Folsom Genealogy; 1832 Emigration Rolls; 1841 deed to Peter Pitchlynn; only Jacob found on 1855 Pay Roll]
9. **Robert W. Nail**, born about 1812/13 probably in the Old Choctaw Nation; died 11 December 1885 Blue County, Choctaw Nation, Indian Territory; married (1) **Margaret Campbell**, daughter of James and Delilah (Folsom) Campbell; married (2) Louise (Folsom) Cochnauer (var. Cochnour), daughter of Samuel and Anna (Holmes) Folsom. Louise, was the widow of (1) John Impson and (2) Edward Cochnour. [Folsom Genealogy; Edward J. Nail, 1939 WPA Interview; Records of the Choctaw Academy; 1832 Emigration Rolls; 1841 deed to Peter Pitchlynn; 1855 Payroll; 1860 Warriors' Roll; Family letters.]
10. **John Morris Nail**, born 15 March 1816 probably in the Old Choctaw Nation, died 24 January 1872, on Nail's Prairie (present-day LeFlore County, Oklahoma); probably married Ehawa tonah (Indian name), perhaps others. [Toole Family Bible Records; 1841 deed to Peter Pitchlynn; Report of his murder in *Arkansas Gazette* and Smedley's WPA Interview; Records of the Choctaw Academy; his 1842 letter to Robert W. Nail; his letters to Indian Office; his work with Peter Perkins Pitchlynn described in W. David Baird's book on Pitchlynn; other misc. Choctaw records.]
11. **Joseph Nail**, born about 1818 probably in the Old Choctaw Nation. May have been teacher at on of the missionary schools in 1836. [Records of the Choctaw Academy. 1841 deed to Peter Pitchlynn.]
12. **Lucina "Sina" Nail**, born when? probably in the Old Choctaw Nation, married **Daniel Folsom**, son of Jerry Folsom. [Folsom Genealogy; 1841 deed to Peter Pitchlynn; in 1855 is she living separate from Daniel or is this right Lucina? Children in Daniel's household in 1855 correspond with Folsom Genealogy.]
13. Deceased Child

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Dear Jean:

Thank you for your letter of 8 May 1993 regarding the Records of the Choctaw Academy. The Choctaw Academy referred to on the Nail family group sheets was located near Blue Springs in Scott County, Kentucky. It was founded by Col. Richard M. Johnson who was involved in Indian education as early as 1820—when as an agent of the Baptist Board for Foreign Missions, he received \$250 from the Indian Civilization Fund for tuition of Indian children at the school established at Great Crossings, Kentucky. However, it was not until after a Choctaw delegation recommended that part of an annuity, provided by the 1825 treaty, be used for the education of several youths at Col. Johnson's that the school became known as the Choctaw Academy.

The school, in operation from 1825-1842, enjoyed the greatest numbers of students during the 1830s. The largest attendance occurred in the first quarter of 1835 when 188 Indian youths were enrolled. The term "Choctaw Academy" is a misnomer. Boys from many tribes made up the student population of the school, including Cherokee, Creek, Chickasaw, Seminole, Quapaw, Potawatomi, Osage, Sac and Fox, etc.

Although all the student enrollment records I've seen list males, there is some indication that a very few females may have attended Col. Johnson's school in the earliest years. I've not been successful in identifying those first students.

Dr. James D. Morrison in his *Schools for the Choctaws* mentions (albeit briefly) early mission schools east of the Mississippi. He specifically mentions the Presbyterian missions—Eliot and Mayhew. Also two Methodist Missions—"Old Queens and Seneasher [?]." He refers to church and conference "minutes," but since his work does not contain footnotes, it is difficult to know just where he found the information. However, in the bibliography he lists, "Choctaw Mission Records. Transcript of notes made from the original by Professor Thomas Allen Houston. Presented to James D. Morrison c 1950." In 1978, I believe the bulk of Dr. Morrison's papers still were in the custody of his widow who lived in Durant. It is possible they might have ended up at Southeastern Oklahoma State University in Durant.

I doubt Dr. Morrison's book is still available. It was published in 1978 under the auspices of the Choctaw Bilingual Education Program, Southeastern Oklahoma University, Durant, Oklahoma. I would be happy to photocopy the bibliography and pages pertaining to the early missions for you. I do not believe it would be an infringement of anyone's copyright since it was published with US government funds and does not carry the copyright symbol.

Another (or the same?) collection is in the custody of Western History Collections at the University of Oklahoma. This collection contains photocopies of the correspondence (1818-1869) and reports (1820-1859) of Cyrus Kingsbury, Presbyterian missionary. I've not yet had a chance to look through this material, but hope to do so before long.

Are you familiar with the *Missionary Herald*? The early issues contain good material on the establishment of the various missions.

Is it possible that Lucinda/Lucina/Sina Smith, the wife of Joel H. Nail, was related to your Jane Smith? Although I don't have a copy of their marriage record from Clarke County, Miss., Sina's application for bounty land states that is where they were married.

The McCarty name is familiar to me. I've recently been in contact with a researcher in Texas who descends from a McCarty family with Choctaw connections. I'm not sure, but believe her ancestor may be the Robert L. McCarty, age 41, born SC who appears on the 1860 U.S. Census population

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schedule "Indian Lands West of Arkansas." He was a resident of Sugar Leaf [Loaf] District, Choctaw Nation. His appearance on this census indicates he was not Indian, as Indians were not to be included. However, other information implies he was married to a Choctaw. Please let me know if you would like to contact her. She is just starting her genealogy, and I don't think would mind if I gave you her address, but I would feel more comfortable first asking her.

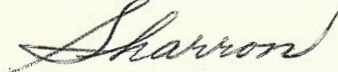
I have your book, *Records of the Choctaw Trading Post St. Stephens, Mississippi Territory 1803-1815*, and wonder if you have any new publications? Also, do you know if the 1797 Spanish Census of Fort St. Stephens has been published in its entirety? I have Winston Deville's abstract that appeared in the *Deep South Quarterly* 5 (Feb 1968) and Jack D. L. Holmes' abstract, "1797 Alabama Census According to Spanish Records," *Alabama Genealogical Register* 8 (1966). Dr. Holmes indicated the original census contained much more data that would be included in a future work he was preparing. I assumed this was to be a book, but if so, have not been able to locate a copy of it in this area. Quite sometime back I wrote to Dr. Holmes, but received no reply. I believe Winston indicated his abstracts were from a WPA transcript.

I don't know how current the copies are that you have of the Nail groups sheets. However, data received in the past month has caused me some consternation regarding the Welch connection. According to a couple of sources, Nathaniel Folsom arrived in the old Choctaw Nation c1774-75. In an 1823 interview with the Reverend Cyrus Byington, Folsom stated, "We came back into the Nation to Mr. Welch's, on Bok Tuklo (Two Creeks), the father of Mr. Nail." [Horatio B. Cushman, *History of the Choctaw, Chickasaw and Natchez Indians* ed by Angie Debo (Stillwater, Ok., 1962)]

Based on this statement, I've often thought that the Robert Welch (age 48 on 1797 census & not old enough to be Henry's father) might have been Molly's father. In addition, Henry named a son "Robert W." — I've never been able to determine his middle name. I've recently learned that the Robert Welch on the 1797 census may have been the s/o James & Mary Welch of SC; may have married Nancy Goody and had children: Nicholas b. 1798, David, John (d.y.) & Simon (d.y) according to Mobile Catholic Records [from Patricia N. Edwards, Purvis, Miss]. Now I have to consider the possibility of two Welch men among other items. Hence, my renewed interest in an expanded version of the 1797 Spanish census.

For future reference, I will enclose copies of current group sheets on Henry and Joel Henry Nail. And if you will help me to remember—at some point after 15 June, I will dig into the Kingsbury Collection at OU. I'm often down there, but usually for a specific reason and I never seem to leave myself time to "browse." Also, let me know about the copies from *Schools for Choctaws*.

Sincerely,


Sharron Standifer Ashton

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Dear Sharon:

Thank you for your letter of May 11, 1993. I apologize for being so long in answering, but I never seem to catch up. I certainly appreciate all the good information in your letter. I learned of many things that I did not know existed.

I believe the Choctaw Academy Records will be too late for me. Specifically I am looking for the records of Emmaus Mission which was located in what is now Clarke County, MS. The foundation can still be seen. It is just above the Wayne County/Clarke County border line which was the old Choctaw Boundary Line.

Enclosed is material on the McCarty line and the McCarty who married Jane Smith. She is the one whose Bible is said to have come from the Mission School. I think there is a distance possibility that Jane and your Lucinda "Sina" Smith are related. The time period is right; the use of the name Cenia and Cena among the McCarty children suggests someone in the family being named that/ the area is right etc.

I have not been able to find out where the records of these early Missions are located. I know that they are not at the Presbyterian Archives in Montreat, NC. Montreat tells me that they are in the Archives in Philadelphia. Philadelphia does not answer. Recently I attended a seminar and learned that these records had been microfilmed, but even the sepaer had not been able to access them. I have read every article published on these Missions that I could find. I've studied the research funded by the Eastman Gardner Foundation during the 1930s. I am at a loss as to where to turn next.

I would certainly like to have the Bibliography from Dr. Morrison's book and any pages concerning Emmaus Mission (if there are any). I will be happy to reimburse you for copies and postage.

I do not know if the 1797? (all I can find is 1787) has been published in its entirety or not. Dr. Holmes is deceased. I believe he died about three years or so ago. I do not know where his papers are. Shortly after his death, his widow wanted to sell them, but no one had the money at the time to purchase them.

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Have you seen the book published in 1991 by Genealogical Publishing Co. Anglo-Americans in the Spanish Archives by Lawrence H. Feldman, It contains the most I have seen published so far. Contents pages and cover sheet enclosed. There is a Robert Welch in 1794, an American, at Nogales (Vicksburg).

I also have copies of articles by Winston DeVille in NGS Quarterly Vol. 70, #4, December 1982 "Anglos and Anglo Americans in Early Alabama" and The Genealogical Helper Sept.-Oct. 1992, pages 5 & 6, "Some Anglo-Americans in the Deep South: 1785" and The Genealogical Helper Nov-Dec 1983 "American Families at Four Frontier Posts: Pensacola, Mobile, Natchez and Missouri". Any of these that you do not have and would like, I'll be happy to send copies of.

I, too, have had correspondence with a lady in California regarding the McCarty Choctaw line. Her information was difficult to deal with because she was using the name Simpson Man Chief and saying his name had been changed to McCarty and that his wife was Mahalia Hat. Obviously, this is incorrect because Simpson McCarty was married to Mahalia Red and as far as I know there was no Choctaw lineage. I have visited their descendants and have also visited their graves etc. However, she contended that this family was on the Choctaw Rolls with this information. I did not check this out.

I have written this at work, since obviously I will never get it finished at home. I justify this that any information I obtain will help several of my patrons who descend from this McCarty line of Edward and Jane Smith McCarty. This line later has a Welch marriage and another Jane Smith marriage.

Be sure to let me know if you would like any of the copies I have suggested. Thanks again.

Sincerely,

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Also See:

- 1. Seals from all around*
- 2. Genealogy of A. Ryals Family SC to AL*